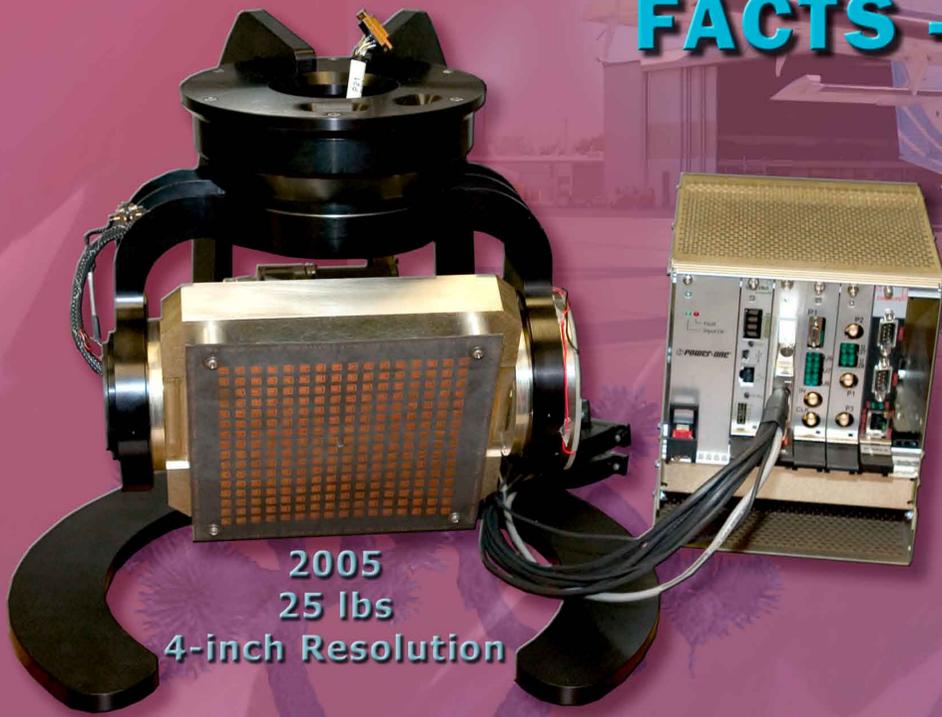


Miniature Synthetic Aperture Radar (miniSAR)

FACTS - 2005

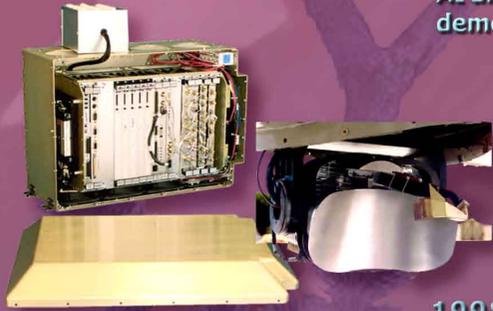


2005
25 lbs
4-inch Resolution

Performance/Specifications

Specification	Value	Notes/Comments
Weight	Radar electronics assembly (REA): 9 lbs Antenna/gimbal assembly (AGA): 17 lbs System total: 27 lbs with cables	Follow-on version will be 18 lbs
Size	REA: ~ 7-inch cube AGA: ~ 10-inch cube	
Frequency	16.8 GHz	Readily extensible to X/Ka-bands
Resolution	4-inch minimum	Spotlight mode, real-time
Range	15 km @ 4-inch resolution 23 km @ 12-inch resolution	Other range/weight tradeoffs: 35 km with 31.5 lb AGA 5 km with 7 lb AGA
Tx Power	60 W	
Modes	Spotlight	Stripmap, GMTI, CCD (follow-on)

At any size/weight, the image quality and resolution demonstrated by Sandia SARs remains unequaled.



1998
120 lbs
4-inch Resolution



1990
500 lbs
6-inch Resolution

MiniSAR fills a void in current remote sensing technology by providing unprecedented image quality and resolution while achieving a 4 to 5x reduction in size, weight, and cost.



Subsystem/Technologies -
Designed and Developed all major component assemblies:

- * Gimbal
- * Antenna
- * RF Module
- * Waveform synthesizer
- * Digital Receiver
- * Embedded process, image formation algorithms, and motion measurement/compensation



MiniSAR gives small UAVs the ability to see through smoke, dust, clouds, heavy rain and night.



Similarly, the miniSAR sensor has broad application to all-weather, precision guided weapons.

MiniSAR is an in-development program; the initial version has been flight tested.

